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In Re Application of:

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Appeals from the Decision of the Primary Examiner mailed **October 9, 2002** finally rejecting claims **1-25 and 48-62** of the above-identified patent application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1. STATUS OF APPLICANT

- Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.
- Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27 as:
  - an Independent Inventor
  - a Small Business Concern
  - a Nonprofit Organization

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## 2. EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR § 1.136 apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 § CFR 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$55	\$	\$110	\$110.00
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The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

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